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ABSTRACT

This publication reports trends in teen childbearing in the Nation, in each state, and in large cities using data from the 2000 National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS). Rates of teenage childbearing steadily declined during the 1990s, reaching a record low in 2000. Rates declined for both younger and older teens and for blacks, whites, and Hispanics in all states and in the District of Columbia. Declines in teen birth rates are not due to an increase in abortions but rather resulted from a lower proportion of teens having sex and a greater use of contraception. NCHS data showed that the teen marital birth rate declined by 26% between 1990 and 1999. International Teen Birth Rate data point to the fact that the United States has the highest teen pregnancy rates among developed countries with pregnancy information available. Tables 1, 2, and 3 list statistics for each state for number of births; age of mother; births to whites, blacks, and Hispanics; and existence of coordinated pregnancy prevention policy in public schools. (JDM)



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TEEN BIRTH RATE. Preliminary data for 2000 from the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) show that the teen birth rate has declined steadily since 1991. The 2000 rate of 48.7 births per 1,000 females 15-19 is a record low and is 22 percent lower than the 1991 rate of 62.1. However, because the decline in the teen birth rate in the 1990s was preceded by an increase between 1986 and 1991, the 2000 rate is only 3% lower than the 1986 rate of 50.2. Declines have been seen in all adolescent age groups in the 1990s. The rate of 27.5 births per 1,000 females 15-17 in 2000 is also a record low.

	Tee	n Birth	Rate (Bi	irths per	1,000	Female	s Aged	15-19, 15-17, and 18-19)					
Ages:	1960	1970	1980	1986	1990	1991	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	
15-19	89.1	68.3	53.0	50.2	59.9	62.1	56.8	54.4	52.3	51.1	49.6	48.7	
1 <i>5</i> -1 <i>7</i>	43.9	38.8	32.5	30.5	37.5	38 <i>.</i> 7	36.0	33.8	32.1	30.4	28.7	27.5	
18-19	166.7	114.7	82.1	<i>7</i> 9.6	88.6	94.4	89.1	86.0	83.6	82.0	80.3	<i>7</i> 9.5	

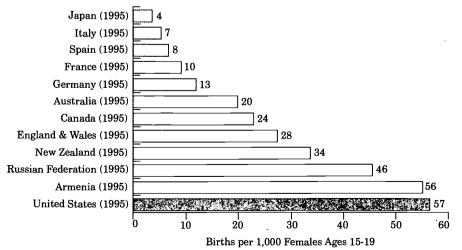
NUMBER OF BIRTHS TO TEENS. In 2000, there were 479,067 births to teens in the United States according to preliminary data from NCHS. This represents a 10 percent decline in the *number* of teen births since 1991, compared with a 22 percent decline in the *rate* since 1991. The smaller decline in the number compared with the rate is due to an increase in the number of teen females in the 1990s.

			N	umber o	t Births	to Femo	iles Und	er Age 🤅	20			
Ages:	1960	1970	1980	1986	1990	1991	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000
Under 15	6,780	11 <i>,7</i> 52	10,169	10,1 <i>7</i> 6	11,65 <i>7</i>	12,014	12,242	11,148	10,121	9,462	9,054	8,561
1 <i>5</i> -1 <i>7</i>	182,408	223,590	198,222	168 <i>,57</i> 2	183,32 <i>7</i>	188,226	192,508	185 <i>,7</i> 21	180,154	1 <i>7</i> 3,231	163,588	1 <i>57,</i> 661
18-19	404,558	421,118	353,939	293,333	338,499	331,351	307,365	305,856	303,066	311,664	312,462	312,845
Under 20	593,746	656,460	562,330	<i>47</i> 2,081	533,591	531,591	512,115	502,725	493,341	494,357	485,104	479,067

BIRTH RATES BY MARITAL STATUS. NCHS data show that the teen marital birth rate declined 26 percent between 1990 and 1999, from 420 to 311 births per 1,000 married teens. The teen nonmarital birth rate peaked in 1994 and then declined 13 percent by 1999, to 40 births per 1,000 unmarried teens aged 15-19. Although the majority of births to teens occur outside of marriage (79 percent in 1999), women ages 20-24 have the highest nonmarital birth rate. This rate was 73 nonmarital births per 1,000 unmarried women aged 20-24 in 1999, a 12 percent increase since 1990.

Mc	ırital	and N	on-ma	ırital	Birth I	Rate ((Births	per 1	,000	Femal	les)			
Marital Status and Age:	1960	1970	1980	1986	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Marital, ages 15-19	531	444	350	352	420	410	398	388	351	362	344	323	322	311
Non-marital, ages 15-19	15	22	28	32	43	45	45	45	46	44	43	42	42	40
Non-marital, ages 20-24	40	38	41	49	65	68	69	69	72	<i>7</i> 0	<i>7</i> 1	<i>7</i> 1	72	<i>7</i> 3
Non-marital ages 15-44	22	26	29	34	44	45	45	45	47	45	45	44	44	44

Teen Birth Rates for Selected Developed Countries



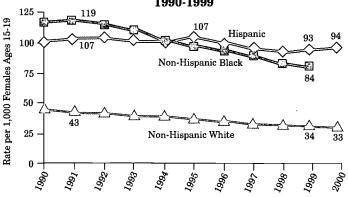
INTERNATIONAL TEEN BIRTH Despite declines in the RATES. 1990s, the U.S. continues to have a teen birth rate that is among the highest of all developed countries, according to data compiled by the Alan Guttmacher Institute. Throughout the mid-1990s, the U.S. had one of the highest teen birth rates among nations classified by the U.N. as developed for which age-specific data are available. Other countries with teen birth rates above 50 include Armenia (shown in graph), Moldova, Georgia, and the Ukraine. The U.S. also had one of the highest teen pregnancy rates among developed countries with pregnancy information available.



TEEN BIRTH RATES BY RACE/ETHNICITY.

Compared with the early 1990s, teen birth rates have declined in each major race/ethnicity group. The gap in the teen birth rate between non-Hispanic black and non-Hispanic white teens has narrowed, although large racial and ethnic differences remain. The birth rate for non-Hispanic black teens declined 30 percent between 1991 and 1999, and the rate among non-Hispanic white teens declined by 24 percent between 1991 and 2000 according to data from NCHS. Although the birth rate for Hispanic adolescent females was stable between 1991 and 1995 and increased slightly in 2000, the rate declined 12 percent between 1995 and 2000, from 107 to 94. (Comparable data for non-Hispanic black teens are not yet available for 2000.)

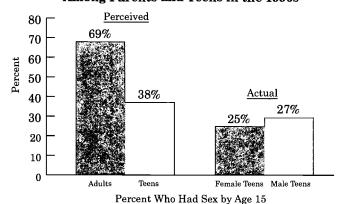
U.S. Teen Birth Rate by Race/Ethnicity 1990-1999



SMOKING AMONG TEENS. Smoking during pregnancy is associated with a higher likelihood of miscarriage and low birthweight among infants. Nevertheless, data from NCHS show that smoking among pregnant teenagers has been rising since the mid-1990s, reflecting increased levels of smoking among all teens in the U.S. In contrast, smoking during pregnancy declined in the 1990s among adult women.

TEEN SEXUAL EXPERIENCE: PERCEPTION VS. REALITY. The perception that 'everybody is doing it' is widespread. In two Kaiser Family Foundation surveys, both adults and teens overestimated the percent of teens who were sexually experienced. Adults estimated that 69 percent of teens have had sex by age 15, and teens estimated 38 percent. However, National Survey of Family Growth and National Survey of Adolescent Males data show that 25 to 27 percent of teens are actually sexually experienced by that age. Moreover, not all sexually experienced teens are currently sexually active. While 50 percent of students in grades 9-12 reported ever having had sex (Youth Risk Behavior Survey, 1999), 36 percent of students had sexual intercourse in the past 3 months.

Perceived vs. Real Age at First Sex Among Parents and Teens in the 1990s



SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS (STIs) REPORTED TO CDC. Adolescents and young adults are at a high risk of contracting STIs, which are associated with other health risks, including sterility. Compared to other developed countries, the U.S. has much higher rates of chlamydia and gonorrhea. In 1999, among all women, females ages 15-19 had the highest rates of chlamydia (2484) and gonorrhea (738) per 100,000 females. Young adult males (ages 20 to 24) had the highest rates of chlamydia and gonorrhea of all males. Higher rates of chlamydia infection in the 1990s are due, in part, to expanded screening and more sensitive testing. Gonorrhea among male and female

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Rates of Sexually Transmitted Infections (per 100,000 population), 1999

Chlamydia Rates

Gonorrhea Rates

	50 45	47%		of Pregnant ne Birth of T		
	40					
	35		32%			
nt	30			25%		
Percent	25			20%	22%	
д	20					16%
	15					
	10					
	5					
	0 _	2750 265				
0		1970-74	1975-79	1980-84	1985-89	1990-94

Period of First Birth

Total

1383

1329

76

Male

344

504

9

Female

147

2484

2187

Ages:

10-14

15-19

20-24

MARRIAGE PROBABILITY AMONG UNMARRIED TEENS WHO BECOME PREGNANT. One factor behind the decline in the marital teen birth rate is the reduced likelihood that teens with a premarital pregnancy will marry before they give birth. Data from Current Population Surveys show that, in the early 1990s, only 16 percent of teens who were premaritally pregnant married before the birth of their first child. This percentage is one third that

of the percentage in the early 1970s (47 percent).

Female

55

738

645

Male

341

586

8

Total

31

534

615



2

Table 1: Births to mothers under age 20 by age and race/ethnicity, percent of births to unmarried mothers under age 20, percent of sexually active teems, and percent of births to mothers 15-19 that are repeat births (second or higher order births), 1999

		to Mo	ber of Birtl others Age	d Total	Mothe Non-H	nber of Bi ers Under <u>ispanic</u>	Age 20	Of All Births to Mothers Under Age 20, Percent	Percent of Teens Who Are Currently	Percent of Teen Births That Are
STATE	Under 15	15-17	18-19	Under 20	White	Black	Hispanic	Nonmarital	Sexually Active	Repeat Births
ALABAMA	221	3459	6391	10071	5111	4630	270	71%	NA	23%
ALASKA	1 <i>7</i>	396	727	1140	522	73	66	79%	27%	1 <i>7</i> %
ARIZONA	236	4243	7546	12025	3856	572	6437	81%	NA	23%
ARKANSAS	109	2098	4336	6543	4019	211 <i>7</i>	328	<i>7</i> 1%	40%	23%
CALIFORNIA	1038	20230	36405	57673	11282	5518	37442	<i>7</i> 7%	NA	21%
COLORADO	106	2579	4672	7357	3306	508	3333	72%	NA	20%
CONNECTICUT	50	1191	2195	3436	1174	789	1325	89%	NWT	19%
DELAWARE	33	496	888	141 <i>7</i>	639	618	143	90%	40%	21%
D.C.	37	438	638	1113	14	975	105	97%	48%	24%
FLORIDA	544	8770	16142	25456	10785	9140	5255	82%	NWT	22%
GEORGIA	418	6236	11791	18445	8051	8539	1608	78%	NA	25%
HAWAII	15	578	1181	1 <i>774</i>	145	35	417	83%	29%	1 <i>7</i> %
IDAHO	30	793	1603	2426	1850	12	469	63%	NA	17%
ILLINOIS	421	7408	14009	21838	7585	8368	5678	86%	NWT	24%
INDIANA	165	3539	7650	11354	8285	2229	<i>7</i> 21	83%	NA	22%
IOWA	44	1199	2749	3992	3245	273	332	82%	NWT	18%
KANSAS	51	1499	3421	4971	3302	712	<i>7</i> 98	76%	NA	22%
KENTUCKY	118	2524	5521	8163	6844	111 <i>7</i>	151	68%	NWT	21%
LOUISIANA	270	4023	<i>7</i> 515	11808	4679	6756	166	85%	NWT	24%
MAINE	10	373	940	1323	1161	15	21	85%	NWT	15%
MARYLAND	165	2608	4630	7403	2652	4151	464	90%	NA	20%
MASSACHUSETTS	73	1861	3663	5597	2751	841	1 <i>7</i> 31	91%	32%	1 <i>7</i> %
MICHIGAN	270	4755	9792	1481 <i>7</i>	7534	4769	1145	85%	31%	21%
MINNESOTA	89	1805	3698	5592	3374	763	600	86%	NA	18%
MISSISSIPPI	208	2961	5239	8408	3131	5141	64	81%	45%	25%
MISSOURI	143	3241	6765	10149	7069	2593	363	80%	42%	21%
MONTANA	11	395	854	1260	884	4	54	79%	29%	1 <i>7</i> %
NEBRASKA	35	<i>7</i> 91	1679	2505	1597	336	383	82%	NWT	19%
NEVADA	73	1336	2441	3850	1629	468	1504	76%	37%	22%
NEW HAMPSHIRE	6	271	726	1003	885	8	50	87%	NWT	12%
NEW JERSEY	172	2786	5496	8454	2087	3166	3037	90%	NWT	20%
NEW MEXICO	102	1814	2939	4855	1039	97	3113	82%	NWT	21%
NEW YORK	389	7308	14181	21878	6406	6696	7495	88%	30%	18%
NORTH CAROLINA	352	5280	9769	15401	7283	5874	1644	76%	NA	22%
NORTH DAKOTA	7	198	505	710	495	14	21	85%	NA	16%
OHIO	329	5994	12716	19039	13177	4946	646	85%	34%	21%
OKLAHOMA	135	2579	5271	7985	4928	1056	757	70%	NA	21%
OREGON	86	1 <i>7</i> 95	3697	5578	3845	180	1227	77%	NA	19%
PENNSYLVANIA	279	5010	9594	14883	8553	4357	1663	90%	NA NA	20%
RHODE ISLAND	16	414	808	1238	545	126	314	90%	NA NA	22%
SOUTH CAROLINA	208	3062	5405	8675	3920	4385	300	82%	40%	21%
SOUTH DAKOTA	1 <i>7</i>	355	820	1192	732	13	27	86%	32%	18%
TENNESSEE	247	3860	7863	11970	7663	3814	394	73%	40%	24%
TEXAS	1165	20121	34246	55532	15456	8500	30889	68%	NA NA	25%
UTAH	43	1342	2911	4296	3100	51	923	61%	NA NA	19%
VERMONT	8	156	393	557	525	6	3	89%	31%	12%
VIRGINIA	207	3109	6826	10142	4899	4326	769	80%	NA	20%
WASHINGTON		2701	5740	8579	5191	505	1853	76%	NA NA	18%
WEST VIRGINIA	138 25	904	2140	3069	2850	184	23	69%	40%	19%
WISCONSIN	23 11 <i>7</i>	2428		7311	4226	1 <i>7</i> 98	778	84%	31%	21%
WYOMING		2426 276	4766 569	851	4226 690		103	71%	35%	18%
- 11 ON III 10	6	2/0	307	0.01	070	11	103	/1/6	33/6	10%
U.S. TOTAL in 1998	9462	173231	311664	494357	221301	128280	124104	79%	NA	22%
U.S. TOTAL in 1999		163588	312462	485104	214971	122175	127402	79%	36%	22%

^{*} Students (in grades 9-12) report of sexual intercourse during the 3 months preceding the 1999 survey.

NA = Not Available

Source/Notes: Birth data are taken from 1999 Natality Data Set CD Series 21, No. 12, National Center for Health Statistics.

Sexual activity data are from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. CDC Surveillance Summaries, June 9, 2000. MMWR 2000; 49 (No. SS-5).

U.S. totals for 1998 are from Ventura, S.J., Martin, J.A., Curtin, S.C., Mathews, T.J. and Park, M.M. (2000). Births: Final Data for 1998. National Vital Statistics Reports, 48(3).



NWT = Representative state-wide data not available

TABLE 3. BIRTHS TO TEENAGE MOTHERS IN LARGE CITIES, 1999, AND PERCENT OF ALL BIRTHS THAT OCCURRED TO TEENS IN 1997 AND 1999, continued

		ber of Bir others Ag		Of All Teen Births for City,		mber of others A	Births Aged 20:	Number of Births to Unmarried Mothers	Of All Births to Mothers Under Age	Of All Births for City, % to Mothers Under	Of Ail Births for City, % to Mothers Under
CITY	Total Under 20	17 and Younger	18-19	% Repeat Births	<u>Non-Hi</u> White	<u>ispanic</u> Black	Hispanic	Under Age 20	20, % Nonmarital	Age 20	Age 20 1999
MINNEAPOLIS, MN	835	375	460	22%	127	381	129	751	90%	14%	13%
MOBILE, AL	589	227	362	27%	171	414	3	486	83%	19%	17%
MODESTO, CA	553	229	324	25%	186	37	284	426	77%	15%	14%
MONTGOMERY, AL	567	193	374	27%	100	453	6	488	86%	19%	1 <i>7</i> %
MORENO VALLEY, CA	355	1.13	242	1.8%	73	86	174	297	84%	NA	15%
NASHV'LDAVIDSON, TN	1154	420	734	25%	495	545	91	976	85%	16%	14%
NEWARK, NJ	861	324	537	25%	43	536	275	814	95%	20%	18%
NEW ORLEANS, LA	1510	565	945	27%	55	1441	12	1450	96%	23%	20%
NEWPORT NEWS, VA	452 11104	140	312	26%	138 804	285	20	359 9894	79% 89%	14% 10%	14% 9%
NEW YORK, NY NORFOLK, VA	701	4009 225	7095 476	18% 28%	165	4134 506	5773 24	577	82%	17%	18%
OAKLAND, CA	778	326	452	24%	33	375	305	585	75%	15%	12%
OCEANSIDE, CA	388	110	278	18%	111	43	207	230	59%	NA NA	11%
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK	1280	466	814	21%	556	342	254	1023	80%	19%	17%
OMAHA, NE	723	285	438	22%	302	274	124	643	89%	13%	12%
ONTARIO, CA	486	209	277	20%	78	29	373	386	79%	NA	15%
ORLANDO, FL	950	376	574	23%	225	448	262	838	88%	16%	13%
OVERLAND PARK, KS	68	21	47	19%	56	1	6	52	76%	NA	3%
OXNARD, CA	531	204	327	21%	17	18	452	334	63%	15%	14%
PASADENA, CA	203	70	133	26%	13	51	134	155	76%	11%	9%
PASADENA, TX	543	205	338	24%	151	170	388	362	67%	17%	20%
PATERSON, NJ	532	187	345	27%	31	172	326	469	88%	19%	18%
PHILADELPHIA, PA	3785 4077	1579	2206	22%	592	2426	644	3620	96%	18%	17%
PHOENIX, AZ	562	1643 224	2434 338	26% 22%	925 180	319 374	2668 4	3358 546	82% 97%	16% 16%	1 <i>7%</i> 1 <i>4</i> %
PITTSBURGH, PA PLANO, TX	135	40	95	20%	54	11	69	103	76%		14% 4%
POMONA, CA	462	183	279	22%	25	43	375	374	81%	NA NA	15%
PORTLAND, OR	794	304	490	21%	438	138	143	665	84%	12%	11%
PROVIDENCE, RI	428	177	251	26%	71	68	. 192	···· 388	91%	16%	16%
RALEIGH, NC	397	139	258	21%	93	206	91	323	81%	11%	8%
RENO, NV	414	155	259	25%	183	11	190	301	73%	13%	14%
RICHMOND, VA	527	204	323	24%	43	468	12	501	95%	17%	18%
RIVERSIDE, CA	<i>7</i> 86	283	503	22%	194	58	520	611	78%	13%	14%
ROCHESTER, NY	726	300	426	28%	120	412	1 <i>7</i> 0	686	94%	-1 <i>7</i> %	19%
ROCKFORD, IL	433	144	289	26%	182	175	69	396	91%	17%	16%
SACRAMENTO, CA	1436	520	916	24%	378	308	475	1112	77%	14%	14%
ST LOUIS, MO	1078	433	645	26%	148	909	10	1039	96%	23%	20%
ST PAUL, MN	762	314	448	27%	170	208	127	629	83%	13%	15%
ST PETERSBURG, FL	542 582	21 <i>7</i> 211	32 <i>5</i> 371	25% 21%	221 307	282 1 <i>7</i>	25	481 412	89% 71%	18% 12%	16%
SALT LAKE CITY, UT SAN ANTONIO, TX	3728	1511	2217	27%	395	251	226 3045	2502	67%	17%	10% 17%
SAN BERNARDINO, CA	800	325	475	28%	129	144	504	679	85%	17%	19%
SAN DIEGO, CA	1726	656	1070	19%	194	283	1091	1370	79%	11%	9%
SAN FRANCISCO, CA	499	182	317	16%	35	149	227	405	81%	8%	6%
SAN JOSE, CA	1378	491	887	18%	1 <i>57</i>	39	1028	1012	73%	11%	9%
SANTA ANA, CA	1120	439	681	22%	37	8	1044	813	73%	14%	13%
SANTA ROSA, CA	304	105	199	19%	110	11	162	235	77%	NA	13%
SCOTTSDALE, AZ	150	58	92	16%	73	5	53	118	79%	NA	6%
SEATTLE, WA	489	1 <i>7</i> 1	318	20%	132	126	90	394	81%	8%	7%
SHREVEPORT, LA	600	235	365	23%	136	459	5	524	87%	21%	19%
SPOKANE, WA	410	114	296	20%	327	26	20	320	78%	13%	12%
SPRINGFIELD, MA	494	198	296	26%	97	126	265	461	93%	19%	21%
SPRINGFIELD, MO	325	101	224	25%	290	18	12	251	77%	15%	15%
STOCKTON, CA	888	358	530	23%	162	123	429	699 438	79%	17%	17%
SYRACUSE, NY TACOMA, WA	448 585	193	255	28%	147 273	222 120	45	428	96%	19%	20%
TALLAHASSEE, FL	241	182 80	403 161	20% 24%	2/3 73	160	75 8	458 211	78% 88%	13% NA	14% 11%
TAMPA, FL	1251	462	789	28%	317	569	346	1105	88%	18%	15%
TEMPE, AZ	268	90	178	23%	102	13	132	215	80%	10%	12%
TOLEDO, OH	791	272	519	24%	412	291	84	712	90%	19%	15%
TORRANCE, CA	115	37	78	17%	30	8	74	93	81%	8%	5%
TUCSON, AZ	1717	602	1115	22%	502	<i>7</i> 3	1029	1412	82%	16%	15%
TULSA, OK	982	330	652	29%	463	285	123	746	76%	16%	15%
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA	580	165	415	18%	293	222	32	441	76%	9%	9%
WARREN, MI	130	35	95	22%	99	9	22	108	83%	9%	8%
WASHINGTON, DC	1113	475	638	24%	14	975	105	1082	97%	17%	15%
WICHITA, KS	932	304	628	25%	559	207	132	739	79%	14%	14%
WINSTON-SALEM, NC	421	170	251	22%	103	217	101	352	84%	18%	14%
WORCESTER, MA	306	118	188	22%	114	29	150	284	93%	14%	12%
YONKERS, NY	236	94	142	20%	33	75	122	201	85%	9%	9%

^{*} Data are shown for the largest 150 cities where information was available.

Source/Notes: 1999 data are from 1999 Natality Data Set CD Series 21, No. 12, National Center for Health Statistics. 1991 data are from the National Center for Health Statistics.

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P	Nom	ber of Bir others Age	ths	Of All Teen Births for City, % Repeat	to A	umber of Aothers A lispanic	Births	Number of Births to Unmarried Mothers Under	Of All Births to Mothers Under Age 20,		Of All Births for City, % to Mothers Under Age 20
CITY	Under 20		18-19	Births	White	Black	Hispanic	Age 20	% Nonmarita		1999
AKRON, OH	548	185	363	24%	265	269	7	501	91%	18%	15%
ALBUQUERQUE, NM	1239	474	765	18%	239	37	885	1036	84%	14%	16%
AMARILLO, TX ANAHEIM, CA	586 <i>7</i> 1 <i>7</i>	213 235	373 482	22% 21%	296 96	46 16	234 586	370 511	63% 71%	19% 12%	19% 11%
ANCHORAGE, AK	461	168	293	16%	235	5.4	42	355	77%	10%	11%
ARLINGTON, TX	672	230	442	20%	268	137	249	503	75%	10%	11%
arlington, va atlanta, ga	140 1 <i>57</i> 2	50 611	90 961	15% 32%	20 57	33 1283	81 206	109 1407	78% 90%	<i>7</i> % 21%	5% 18%
AURORA, CO	594	203	391	19%	204	114	250	3 <i>7</i> 8	64%	11%	12%
AUSTIN, TX	1590	625	965	27%	227	244	1111	1091	69%	15%	13%
BAKERSFIELD, CA BALTIMORE, MD	586 2307	195 990	391 131 <i>7</i>	23% 25%	348 296	144 1957	652 24	991 2231	82% 97%	1 <i>7</i> % 21%	17% 22%
BATON ROUGE, LA	841	321	520	28%	121	705	6	777	92%	15%	17%
BIRMINGHAM, AL	852	317	535	24%	102	730	18	761	89%	21%	19%
BOISE CITY, ID BOSTON, MA	328 <i>77</i> 6	_ 103 284	225 492	1 <i>7</i> %		378	51 263	741 .	67% 95%	11%	10% 10%
BRIDGEPORT, CT	414	163	251	21%	40	140	220	373	90%	18%	18%
BUFFALO, NY	<i>7</i> 98	328	470	21%	138	463	103	<i>7</i> 53	94%	17%	17%
CHARLOTTE, NC	1015 416	421 131	594 285	23% 31%	220 1 <i>57</i>	579 243	169 15	88 <i>7</i> 355	87% 85%	14% 23%	10% 18%
CHATTANOOGA, TN CHESAPEAKE, VA	350	115	235	17%	157	190	3	298	85%	13%	12%
CHICAGO, IL	8632	3417	5215	28%	466	513 <i>7</i>	2946	7752	90%	19%	1 <i>7</i> %
CHULA VISTA, CA CINCINNATI, OH	368 1074	103 396	265 678	13% 28%	56 314	21 <i>7</i> 51	272 2	270 1027	73% 96%	NA 21%	11% 18%
CLEVELAND, OH	1677	.652	1.025	29%	434	_1001	142	1583	94%	20%	20%
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO	821	253	568	18%	448	120	221	582	71%	12%	12%
COLUMBUS, GA	541	192	349	30%	164	355	20	458	85% 89%	21% 16%	20% 14%
COLUMBUS, OH CORPUS CHRISTI, TX	1 <i>5</i> 03 892	505 362	998 530	26% 27%	742 141	668 36	51 <i>7</i> 09	1335 689	77%	18%	19%
DALLAS, TX	4047	1591	2456	27%	361	1342	2256	3152	78%	18%	17%
DAYTON, OH	575	204	371	22%	250	315	8	523	91%	22%	19%
DENVER, CO DES MOINES, IA	1600 481	651 1 <i>7</i> 8	949 303	23% 23%	282 295	212 <i>7</i> 6	1071 67	1159 401	72% 83%	16% 14%	16% 14%
DETROIT, MI	2857	1119	1738	26%	151	2445	167	2619	92%	24%	18%
DURHAM, NC	352	1.18	234	20%		225_	77	288	82%	14%	11%
EL PASO, TX FLINT, MI	2134 649	797 240	133 <i>7</i> 409	30% 32%	161 222	56 41 <i>7</i>	1912 6	1402 575	66% 89%	16% 22%	1 <i>7%</i> 20%
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	512	207	305	28%	63	397	50	465	91%	15%	15%
FORT WAYNE, IN	562	206	356	24%	319	184	54	492	88%	16%	15%
FORT WORTH, TX FREMONT, CA	1 <i>77</i> 3 124	729 44	1044 80	27% 13%	395 44	497 8	856 61	1362 92	77% 74%	1 <u>7%</u> 6%	17% 4%
FRESNO, CA	1676	699	9 <i>77</i>	26%	239	141	1070	1299	78%	17%	18%
GARDEN GROVE, CA	258	84	174	23%	3 <i>7</i>	4	191	189	73%	11%	9%
GARLAND, TX	467 614	164 211	303 403	27% 22%	151	84 41	221 291	344 503	74% 82%	12% NA	14%
GLENDALE, AZ GLENDALE, CA	97	39	58	14%	14	2	75	70	72%	7%	4%
GRAND RAPIDS, MI	607	240	367	27%	176	234	139	528	87%	16%	15%
Greensboro, nc Hampton, va	376 297	125 112	251 185	20% 18%	112 95	218 189	31 10	325 245	86% 82%	14% 13%	12% 15%
HAYWARD, CA	260	101	159	18%	37	36	166	191	73%	NA	9%
HIALEAH, FL	262	107	155	13%	98	11	152	168	64%	10%	10%
HOLLYWOOD, FL	231	<i>77</i>	154	21% 16%	85 32	81 15	58 55	193 261	84% 80%	13% <i>7</i> %	11% 7%
HONOLULU, HI	326 6336	91 2497	235 3839	25%	603	1810	3841	4470	71%	16%	15%
HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA	134	47	87	20%		0	82	97	72%	6%	5%
HUNTSVILLE, AL	310 2081	108 <i>74</i> 2	202 1339	31% 22%	102 1058	192 901	11 110	264 1868	85% 90%	15% 16%	15% 15%
INDIANAPOLIS, IN IRVINE, CA	34	6	28	12%	21	701	110	27	70 <i>%</i> 79%	NA	2%
IRVING, TX	429	139	290	26%	111	39	260	328	76%	12%	12%
JACKSON, MS	680	278	402	30%	49	629	1	657 1391	97% 86%	19% 16%	22% 14%
JACKSONVILLE, FL JERSEY CITY, NJ	1621 493	599 188	1022 305	23% 19%	648 37	878 243	65 190	443	90%	15%	13%
KANSAS CITY, KS	570	194	376	28%	204	253	100	490	86%	21%	22%
KANSAS CITY, MO	1117	413	704	27% 25%	360 301	610 125	127	1008	90% 76%	17% 17%	15% 15%
KNOXVILLE, TN LAKEWOOD, CO	433 196	147 65	286. 131	25%	122	1.23	58	134	68%	8%	11%
LAREDO, TX	878	378	500	24%	7	0	871	384	44%	NA	17%
LAS VEGAS, NV	1449	534	915	23%	552	226	565	1109	77%	14%	11%
LEXINGTON-FAYETTE, KY LINCOLN, NE	372 332	130 114	242 218	21% 16%	230 250	118 30	23 29	301 273	81% 82%	14% 9%	11% 10%
LITTLE ROCK, AR	455	156	299	22%	95	337	20	411	90%	19%	15%
LONG BEACH, CA	1054	3 <i>7</i> 9	675	24%	95	186	649	858	81%	13%	12%
LOS ANGELES, CA LOUISVILLE, KY	<i>7747</i> 110 <i>7</i>	3010 379	4737 728	23% 24%	295 567	1026 502	6280 28	5978 991	77% 90%	13% 20%	12% 16%
LUBBOCK, TX	709	274	435	29%	180	97	424	489	69%	19%	22%
MADISON, WI	235	69	166	21%	105	<i>7</i> 1	40	204	87%	7%	9%
MEMPHIS, TN	2255 953	904 314	1351 639	32% 22%	286 452	1894 40	57 422	2097 . 729	93% 76%	21% 12%	20% 13%
AEDIC	1937	788	1149	23%	146	1142	643	1705	88%	15%	15%
AERIC, WI	2290	963	1327	29%	334	1473	372	2108	92%	21%	20%

Table 2: Birth Rates for Females 15-19 in 1970, 1980, 1985, 1990-1999, and females 15-17 and 18-19 in 1999, and state teen pregnancy prevention policies and programs for 1999, by State

		to Females Aged 15-19													Rates 99	Policy in	Sex Education Offered in Public Schools:			
STATE	1970	1980	1985	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	Ages 15-17	Ages 18-19	Public Schools	ніч	Contracoption	Abstinence	
ALABAMA	89	68	64	71	74	73	71	72	70	69	67	66	63	38	96	No	Yes	No	Yes	
ALASKA	87	64	56	65	65	64	57	55	50	46	45	42	42	25	68	No	No	No	No	
ARIZONA	77	66	67	76	81	82	80	79	75	74	70	<i>7</i> 1	70	42	111	No	Yes	No	No	
ARKANSAS	91	75	73	80	80	76	74	76	74	75	73	<i>7</i> 1	68	38	112	NA	NA	NA	No	
CALIFORNIA	65	53	53	71	75	74	73	71	68	63	57	54	51	31	79	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
COLORADO	64	50	48	55	58	58	55	54	51	50	48	49	48	29	78	No	No	No.	No	
CONNECTICUT	43	31	31	39	40	39	39	40	39	37	36	36	33	19	58					
DELAWARE	72	51	51	55	61	60	60	60	57 57	57	56	54	54	34	82	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
		59							_		_		_			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
FLORIDA	85	-	58	69	69	66	65	64	62	59	58	56	54	31	89	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes	
GEORGIA	98	72	68	76	76	75	73	72	71	68	67	65	65	38	104	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
HAWAII	60	51	48	61	59	54	53	54	48	48	44	46	44	26	67	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
IDAHO	65	60	47	51	54	52	51	47	49	47	43	45	44	25	69	No	No	No	No ,	
ILLINOIS	66	56	51	63	65	64	63	63	60	57	55	53	51	30	84	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
INDIANA	73	58	52	59	61	59	59	58	58	56	54	53	52	28	8 <i>7</i>	No	Yes	No	Yes	
IOWA	52	43	35	41	43	41	41	40	39	38	36	35	36	18	61	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
KANSAS	61	57	52	56	55	56	56	54	52	50	49	47	47	24	82	No	Yes	No	No	
KENTUCKY	86	72	63	68	69	65	64	65	63	62	60	57	56	30	93	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
LOUISIANA	85	76	72	74	76	<i>7</i> 7	76	75	70	67	66	65	63	38	97	No	Yes	No	Yes	
MAINE	65	47	42	43	44	40	37	36	34	31	32	30	30	14	55	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
MARYLAND	68	43	46	53	54	51	50	50	48	46	44	43	43	25	70	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
MASSACHUSETTS	38	28	29	35	38	38	38	37	34	32	32	31	29	16	47	No	No	Yes	Yes	
MICHIGAN	66		43	59	59	57	53	52	49	47	44	43	41	22	68	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
MINNESOTA	42	35	31	36	37	36	35	34	32	32	32	31	30	16	51	No	Yes	No	No	
MISSISSIPPI	102	84	76	81	86	84	83	83	81	76	74	73	73	45	111	Yes	Yes	No		
MISSOURI	71	58	54	63	65	63	60	59	56	54	52	51	50	27					Yes	
White the second section is a second		49	44										TOTAL		83	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
MONTANA	58			48	47	46	46	41	42	39	38	37	35	19	60	No	Yes	No	No	
NEBRASKA	52	45	40	42	42	41	41	43	38	39	37	37	37	20	61	No	No	No	No	
NEVADA	90	59	55	73	75	71	73	74	73	70	68	66	64	37	107	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
NEW HAMPSHIRE	55	34	32	33	33	31	31	30	31	29	29	27	24	11	46	No	Yes	No	No	
NEW JERSEY	48	35	34	41	42	39	38	39	38	35	35	35	33	18	56	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
NEW MEXICO	77	72	73	78	80	80	81	77	74	<i>7</i> 1	68	69	67	43	105	No	Yes	No	Yes	
NEW YORK	49	35	36	44	46	45	46	46	44	42	39	39	37	21	60	Yes	Yes	No	No	
NORTH CAROLINA	86	58	57	68	<i>7</i> 1	70	67	66	64	64	61	61	60	35	96	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
NORTH DAKOTA	43	42	36	35	36	37	37	35	34	32	30	30	28	13	50	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes	
OHIO	63	53	50	58	61	58	57	55	53	50	50	48	46	25	77	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
OKLAHOMA	81	75	69	67	72	70	69	66	64	63	64	62	61	33	102	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes	
OREGON	56	51	43	55	55	53	51	51	51	51	47	47	47	25	<i>7</i> 8	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
PENNSYLVANIA	52	41	40	45	47	45	44	44	42	39	37	37	36	21	60	No	Yes	No	No	
RHODE ISLAND	45	33	36	44	45	48	50	48	43	43	43	41	38	22	63	No	Yes	No	No	
SOUTH CAROLINA	_		63	71	73	70	66	67	65	63	61	60	61	38	92	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
SOUTH DAKOTA	50		46	47	48	48	44	43	41	40	40	39	38	19	63	No	No	No	No No	
TENNESSEE	87	64	61	72	75	71	70	71	68		65	64	63	35	103					
TEXAS			72	75	73 79	71 79	78			66 74						Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes .	
	84							78 43	76	74	72	<i>7</i> 1	70	44	108	No	No	No	Yes	
UTAH	54	65	50	49	48	46	45	43	42	43	43	41	40	23	63	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
VERMONT	53	40	36	34	39	36	35	33	29	30	27	24	26	12	46	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	
VIRGINIA	72		46	53	54	52	50	51	49		44	44	43	23	70	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
WASHINGTON	58	47	45	53	54	51	50	48	48	45	43	42	40	22	68	No	Yes	No	Yes	
WEST VIRGINIA	72		54	57	58	56	56	54	53	50	49	49	48	24	81	No	Yes	No	No	
WISCONSIN	44	40	39	43	44	42	41	39	38	3 <i>7</i>	36	35	36	20	59	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
WYOMING	69	79	59	56	54	50	50	48	47	44	43	48	40	22	68	No	Yes	No	NA	
U.S. TOTAL	66	53	51	60	62	61	60	59	57	54	52	51	50	29	80	28	42	23	26	

Sources/Notes: The 1985 birth rates were calculated by Child Trends. Denominators use the latest revised data from the U.S. Bureau of the Census, Population Estimates Branch. These revisions affect birth rates in some states. Population denominators for D.C. and less populated states are small and therefore some instability in rates can occur. Birth rates for 1970, 1980, and 1990 are published by the National Center for Health Statistics, Department of Health and Human Services. The 1970 rate represents the average for 1969-1971. Birth rates for 1990-1994: Ventura, S.J., Clarke, S.C., and Mathews, T.J. (1996). Recent declines in teenage birth rates in the United States: Variations by state, 1990-1994. National Center for Health Statistics. Birth rates for 1995: Ventura, S.J., Curtin, S.C. and Mathews, T.J. (1998). Teenage births in the United States: National and State trends. National Center for Health Statistics. Birth rates for 1995: Ventura, S.J., Mathews, T.J., and Curtin, S.C. (1998). Declines in teenage birth rates, 1991-1997: National and State patterns. National Center for Health Statistics. Birth rates for 1997: Ventura, S.J., Mathews, T.J., and Curtin, S.C. (1999). Declines in teenage birth rates, 1991-99: Update of National and state trends. National Center for Health Statistics. Birth rates for 1998: Ventura, S.J., Martin, J.A., Curtin, S.C., Mathews, T.J. and Park, M.M. (2000). Births: Final Data for 1998. National Vital Statistics Reports, 48(3). Birth rates for 1999: Ventura, S.J., Martin, J.A., Curtin, S.C., Mathews, T.J. and Park, M.M. (2001). Births: Final Data for 1999. National Vital Statistics Reports, 48(3). Birth rates for 1999: Ventura, S.J., Martin, J.A., Curtin, S.C., Menacker, F. and Hamilton, B.E. (2001). Births: Final Data for 1999. National Vital Statistics Reports, 49(1). Information on state teen pregnancy prevention policies and programs was taken from Wertheimer, R., Jager, J., and Moore, K.A. (November, 2000). State policy initiatives for reducing teen and adult nonmarital ch



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